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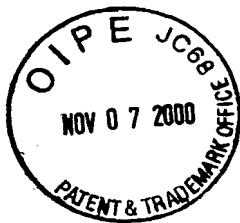
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RE: Application Serial No.: 09/646,876
Applicant(s): YASUHARU SUDA
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For: PRINTING PLATE MATERIAL AND METHOD FOR
PREPARATION AND RENEWAL THEREOF

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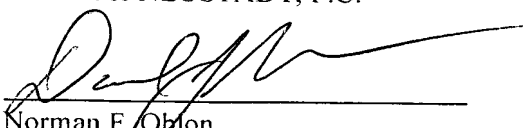
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Our check in the amount of \$ -0- is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 CFR 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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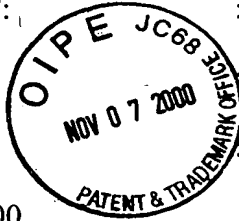
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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 40, lines 12-13, change "AIBESUTO paper" to --a coated board ("AIBESUTO

PAPER"; trade name)--.

Page 55, line 4, change "AIBESUTO paper" to --a coated board ("AIBESUTO

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